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Dear Interested Public,

STATE OF IDAHO OUTFITTERS & GUIDES BOARD

The BLM Salmon Field Office has received a Special Recreation Permit (SRP) application to open a new outfitted big game hunting area within part of Idaho Fish & Game (IDFG) Management Unit 29 (see attached map). The SRP application includes outfitted big game hunting for elk, deer, bear, pronghorn, and moose. The applicant has indicated they have overnight accommodations for all clients and guides on private land and will not camp overnight on BLM administered land. All clients would be required to obtain the necessary licenses, tags, and permits required by IDFG and adhere to all IDFG big game rules and regulations. A SRP, if issued, would be in coordination with the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association.

We are in the process of determining the need for outfitted big game hunting in this area. To assist us with determining the public need for outfitted big game hunting actives in this area, please provide comments by December 5, 2021. Your comments will be used to determine how the BLM will move forward with the analysis of the SRP application through the National Environmental Policy Act process. Your comments will also help us to identify any potential issues that need to be considered in the decision-making process.

The scoping package along with a map of the proposed outfitted big game hunting area can be found on the BLM's ePlanning website at: https://go.usa.gov/xecGM

Please provide comments to the BLM either in writing or via email by December 5, 2021. Written comments can be mailed to the BLM – Attn: Travis Seaberg, Salmon Field Office at 1206 S. Challis Street, Salmon, ID 83467, or emailed to Travis Seaberg at geaberg@blm.gov.

For more information please contact Travis Seaberg, Outdoor Recreation Planner, at gseaberg@blm.gov or (208) 756-5412.

Thank you for your time and participation in this important planning process.

Sincerely,

Linda R. Price Field Manager

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